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# Planning for Climate Impacts in Northeast Wisconsin Communities

*A workshop to build local & regional climate planning capacity in Northeast Wisconsin*

**September 13, 2011**

**University of Wisconsin-Green Bay**

- 8:00 am**      **Registration**
- 8:30 am**      **Welcome, Overview, and Introductions**  
Patrick Robinson, University of Wisconsin-Extension
- 8:45 am**      **Climate Change Science and Impacts in Northeast Wisconsin**  
David S. Liebl, University of Wisconsin-Extension/UW-Madison
- 9:45 am**      **Discussion: What Does Climate Change Mean for You?**  
David S. Liebl, University of Wisconsin-Extension/UW-Madison (facilitator)
- 10:15 am**      **Break**
- 10:30 am**      **Fundamental Concepts in Planning for Climate Change**  
Tashya Allen, The Baldwin Group at NOAA Coastal Services Center
- 11:30 am**      **Lunch**
- 12:30 pm**      **Tools and Resources: Introduction to Vulnerability Assessment**  
Tashya Allen, The Baldwin Group at NOAA Coastal Services Center  
Brita Pagels, ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability
- 1:15 pm**      **Identifying Vulnerabilities in Your Community**  
Interactive activity led by Tashya Allen, NOAA Coastal Services Center and  
Brita Pagels, ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability
- 2:15 pm**      **Break**
- 2:30 pm**      **Tools and Resources: Visualizing Climate Impacts**  
David Hart, University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute
- 3:15 pm**      **Next Steps and Closing Remarks**  
Patrick Robinson, University of Wisconsin-Extension
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## Speaker Biographies

### **David S. Liebl**

*University of Wisconsin-Extension/University of Wisconsin-Madison*

David S. Liebl is a Faculty Associate in the Department of Engineering Professional Development at UW-Madison, and a UW-Cooperative Extension statewide outreach education specialist. He is a member of the Science Council of the Wisconsin Initiative for Climate Change Impacts (WICCI) and chaired the Stormwater, Adaptation and Outreach working groups. His area of focus has been community impacts and adaptation to changing patterns of precipitation in Wisconsin, with funding from NOAA and Wisconsin Sea Grant.

### **Tashya Allen**

*The Baldwin Group at NOAA Coastal Services Center*

Tashya Allen is a Hazards Specialist working for The Baldwin Group at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Coastal Services Center, headquartered in Charleston, S.C. The Center supports state and local coastal resource managers throughout the coastal U.S. and Great Lakes. Tashya's background is in community-based vulnerability assessment. She also specializes in the development of decision support tools for hazards management and community resilience planning.

### **Brita Pagels, M.U.P.P.**

*ICLEI Senior Regional Officer - Midwest Regional Office*

Brita Pagels joined ICLEI USA's Midwest Regional Office in 2008, where she provides hands-on member support to nearly 90 innovative local and tribal governments with plans and programs for climate, energy, and sustainability. Ms. Pagels provides local government staff with the technical, communications, and policy tools necessary for plan implementation, including developing trainings on ICLEI USA tools and resources and helping launch peer networks that connect local and tribal government staff across geographic and political boundaries. Prior to her role in Midwest member support, Ms. Pagels helped develop and launch several successful programs and projects with ICLEI USA, including the Champaign (IL) and St. Louis County (MO) Energy Efficiency Conservation Strategies for the Energy Efficiency Conversation Block Grant Program and the Chicago Green Office Challenge – which served the model for ICLEI USA's Green Business Challenge. She also conducted numerous greenhouse gas emissions inventories for the Silicon Valley Climate Protection Partnership and St. Louis County, MO. Ms. Pagels holds a Masters of Urban Planning and Policy from the University of Illinois at Chicago, with a self-designed concentration that links environmental planning with community, economic, and international development. She also holds a Bachelor of Arts from Syracuse University where she concentrated on the history of art and architecture, anthropology, and urbanism.

### **David Hart**

*University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute*

David Hart is the Geographic Information Systems Specialist at the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute. Through this position, he conducts research and provides outreach that supports sustainable coastal development along the Great Lakes. David's research occurs at the intersection of geographic information science, urban planning, and environmental management. He has developed methods for discovery, acquisition, integration, and analysis of local geospatial data for use in decision-making about coastal management issues at a regional scale. David co-chairs the WICCI Coastal Community Working Group and is collaborating with Minnesota Sea Grant on a new initiative to provide climate adaptation implementation assistance for Great Lakes communities.